

Caruso, Enrico

1916?

January 5th, 1916.

Mr. Enrico Caruso,
Knickerbocker Hotel,
Broadway & 42nd Street,
New York.

Dear Sir:-

I have received a clipping from the New York Herald of December 25th describing your distribution of souvenir medals, bearing your portrait, to your friends. I notice that these medals are of gold, and were struck by Tiffany & Co. I would feel some hesitation in asking you to donate a gold medal to this Society, but if it were possible to have one struck in copper and placed in our collection, we would be exceedingly glad to have it.

The newspaper article states that you are interested in numismatics, and, if that is the case, I am sure you would find much to interest you in this Society's museum, which is open from ten to five week days and one to five Sundays, I am usually here on week days, and would be much pleased to show you our collections.

I am sending, under separate cover, a pamphlet, just received from the printer, which gives a sketch of the Society and a list of its publications.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

Kunkler Hotel

~~Brown 44282~~

Caruso is a
coin collector

Sent him an
application

Sent Associate Membership Card
March 30

MATIC SOCIETY during the forty-nine years of its existence ; that some of its collections are unique, and of high educational value.

THAT the time has now come to provide a suitable home for this large collection in a fire-proof building, and a place for future accessions. Such a building is now in course of construction, and the work is progressing rapidly ; it adjoins that of the HISPANIC SOCIETY OF AMERICA, which has a collection of Spanish coins of great rarity. The cabinets of these two Societies, taken together, contain one of the best collections in existence. The building will be the finest in the world to be used exclusively as a Museum of the money of all ages and countries. A fund is being raised for the construction of this building. The cost will be about \$50,000, nearly one-half of which amount has already been subscribed.

THAT a Building Committee is charged with the raising of this fund, and this Committee trusts that it is not too optimistic if it counts upon the support of every member of the Society, of Bankers, Financiers, and all others who are interested in helping the work of a great educational institution ; an institution which will be of benefit to all, and an honor to the City of New York.

THAT all donations, large or small, will be gratefully appreciated ; and that subscribers of \$500 or over, will be enrolled as "Patrons of the Society."

THAT cheques should be made payable to Charles Pryer, Treasurer.

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